

## Ventura County EMS Agency Ambulance System Review Working Group Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

1430 – 1630

### I. Welcome and Introductions

Steve Carroll called to order meeting of the Ambulance System Review Working Group at 14:34 on Tuesday, June 12, 2018. Present: Barry Fisher - Interim City Manager for Ventura City; Chris Rosa – VCEMS Deputy Administrator; Mike Sanders – Operations Manager for AMR/GCA (sitting in for Chad Panke); Elaina Hall – ER Director at CMH; Heather Ellis - Ventura City Fire EMS Coordinator; Barry Parker - Ventura County Fire EMS Battalion Chief; Steve Frank – President and CEO of LifeLine Medical Transport; Martha Garcia - VCEMS Administrative Assistant; Steve Carroll - VCEMS Administrator.

### II. Role of Workgroup Members

Barry Fisher requested assistance from the stakeholders to conduct a full review of our county's EMS system and transport provider contracts. Barry further stated that the last review of contracts was 14 years ago.

### III. Overview of Proposed System Review

- a) Review of what is in place now, what needs to be evaluated, added, removed, and improvements
- b) Review of consultant requirements; strong financials and EMS background
- c) Review requirements of system financials, EMS system deployment, response times, critical care transport, dispatch, and air transport
- d) Review requirements for county demographics
- e) Look at each city's infrastructure: what each city looks like now, how it will look in 5 years.
- f) Review of diversions and transport options during peak times

### IV. Discussion

- a) Barry Parker expressed a concern about response times with the constant change in demographics and technology.
- b) Steve Frank suggested that the request for proposal should represent overall EMS system and not just transport contracts.

### V. Roundtable

- a) The group reviewed and discussed Merced County's summary of findings and agreed that Ventura County's should contain most of the same elements such as system revenues, sustainability, current structures, payments for providers, and cost of deployment.
- b) Barry Parker questioned the benefits of using an out of state consulting firm vs a California based firm.

### VI. Adjournment

Steve Carroll adjourned the meeting at 16:30. Next meeting: July 17, 2018, at 14:30

Minutes submitted by: Martha Garcia – VCEMS Administrative Assistant